

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1-27 (Cancelled):

Claim 28 (New): An information retrieving method for retrieving content that is provided by a content provider, comprising:

generating and updating an usage history of content based on a number of times content is recorded to a storage, or based on a number of times content is reproduced from the storage;

retrieving content on a basis of said usage history;

generating a list of retrieved content based on said usage history; and

processing the list of retrieved content on a basis of said usage history to generate a content guide that fits into a display screen for displaying the content guide at a same time, when the content guide based on the entire list of retrieved content cannot be displayed in the display screen at the same time.

Claim 29 (New): The information retrieving method according to claim 28, wherein said processing further comprises:

rearranging the content guide in an order of channels of a broadcasting station.

Claim 30 (New): The information retrieving method according to claim 28, wherein said processing further comprises:

adding content information to the content guide when more content information can be displayed in the content guide on the display screen at a same time.

Claim 31 (New): The information retrieving method according to claim 28, wherein said generating and updating further comprises:

weighting a TV channel that broadcasts a content, a TV series that a content is part of, and a category of a content, based on a number of times the respective contents were recorded.

Claim 32 (New): The information retrieving method according to claim 31, wherein said processing further comprises:

adding content information to the content guide based on the weight of a TV channel, when more content information can be displayed in the content guide on the display screen at a same time.

Claim 33 (New): The information retrieving method according to claim 31, wherein said processing further comprises:

adding content information to the content guide based on the weight of a category of retrieved content, when more content can be displayed in the content guide on the display screen at a same time.

Claim 34 (New): The information retrieving apparatus according to claim 28, wherein the usage history includes content history usage including recording or reproducing of content, category history regarding a category of a recorded or reproduced program, and channel history regarding a channel of a recorded or reproduced program.

Claim 35 (New): An information retrieving apparatus configured to retrieve contents that is provided by a content provider, comprising:

an usage history generator configured to generate and update an usage history of the content that is provided by the content provider, based on recording of the content to a storage or based on reproducing recorded content from the storage;

a retrieving unit configured to retrieve content on a basis of said usage history;

a content guide generator configured to generate a list of the retrieved content; and

a content guide processor configured to process the list of retrieved content on a basis of said usage history to generate a content guide that fits into a display screen to display the content guide at a same time, when the content guide based on the entire list of retrieved content cannot be displayed in the display screen at the same time.

Claim 36 (New): The information retrieving apparatus according to claim 35, wherein said content guide processor is further configured

to rearrange the content guide in an order of channels of a broadcasting station.

Claim 37 (New): The information retrieving apparatus to claim 35, wherein said content guide processor is further configured

to add content information to the content guide when more retrieved content can be displayed in the content guide on the display screen at a same time.

Claim 38 (New): The information retrieving apparatus according to claim 35, wherein said usage history generator is further configured to

weight a TV channel that broadcasts a content, a TV series that a content is part of, and a category of a content, based on a number of times the respective content were recorded to the storage or reproduced from the storage.

Claim 39 (New): The information retrieving apparatus according to claim 38, wherein said content guide generator is further configured to
add content information to the content guide based on the weight of a TV channel, when more retrieved content information can be displayed in the content guide on the display screen at a same time.

Claim 40 (New): The information retrieving apparatus according to claim 38, wherein said content guide processor is further comprises to
add content information to the content guide based on the weight of a category of content, when more retrieved content information can be displayed in the content guide on the display screen at a same time.

Claim 41 (New): The information retrieving apparatus according to claim 35, wherein the usage history includes information on content history usage including recording or reproducing of content, category history regarding a category of a recorded or reproduced program, and channel history regarding a channel of a recorded or reproduced program.